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Atty. Dkt. No. 030307-0197

IN THE WINTED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Børge KRINGELUM, et al.

Title:

METHOD FOR SUPPLY OF STARTER CULTURES HAVING A

CONSISTENT QUALITY

Appl. No.:

09/813,292

Appl. Filing Date:

3/21/2001

Examiner:

Ruth A. Davis

Art Unit:

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

- 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)
 - a. Previously submitted:
 - [] Please enter and consider the amendment and/or reply previously filed on ___.
 - [] Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on __ but not considered.
 - [] Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply previously filed

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- [] Other ___.
- b. Enclosed are:
- [X] Amendment/Reply.
- [] Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
- [] Information Disclosure Statement.
- [] Form PTO-1449 with copies of ____ listed reference(s).
- [] Other.

Miscellaneous:

[] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of __ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For		Extra Prese	Claims ent		Rate		Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):								\$790.00	=	\$790.00
Total Claims:	28	-	27	=	1		x	\$50.00	=	\$50.00
Independents	1	-	3	=	0		x	\$200.00	=	\$0.00
First p	resentation o	of any	y Multiple D	ере	enden	t Claims:	+	\$360.00	=	\$0.00
						CLAIMS	FE	E TOTAL:	=	\$840.0

[X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

[] Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$120.00	0 \$0.00
[] Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$450.00	\$0.00
[X] Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$1,020.00	\$1,020.00
[] Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,590.00	\$0.00
[] Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,160.00	\$0.00
EXTENSION FEE S	UBTOTAL:	\$1,020.00
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CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FE	\$1,860.00	
[] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½	\$0.00	
[] Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R.	§ 1.103(c)	\$0.00
TO	OTAL FEE:	\$1,860.00

- [] Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0741 in the amount of \$0.00. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.
- [X] A check in the amount of \$1,860.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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